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REMARKS

The applicants note with appreciation the acknowledgement of the claim for priority under section 119 and the notice that all of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in the parent application.

The applicants acknowledge and appreciate receiving an initialed copy of the form PTO-1449 that was filed on 26 February 2004

Claims 15-17, 19, 20, 22-24, and 26-28 are pending. Claims 1-14, 18, 21, and 25 have been canceled. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Figure 3B of the drawings was objected to for lacking the label "Prior Art." However, a replacement sheet in which such a label was added to Fig. 3B was submitted with the preliminary amendment of 26 February 2004. Therefore, the applicants request withdrawal of this objection.

Claim 18 was rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claim 18 has been canceled. Therefore, this rejection will not be discussed.

Claims 15-20, 22-24 were rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Huang in view of Hshieh et al. Claim 18 has been canceled and will not be discussed. As for claims 15-17, 19, 20 and 22-24, the applicants respectfully request that this rejection be withdrawn for the following reasons.

Claim 15 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 25, which was said to contain allowable subject matter. Therefore, claim 15 is considered to be in condition for

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allowance. Claims 16, 17, and 19 depend on claim 15 and are likewise considered to be in condition for allowance.

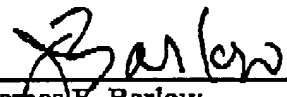
Claim 20 has been amended to include the limitations of claim 21, which was said to contain allowable subject matter. Therefore, claim 20 is considered to be in condition for allowance. Claims 22-24 depend on claim 20 and are likewise considered to be in condition for allowance.

Claim 26 was objected to as depending on a rejected base claim but was said to be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 26 has been written in independent form including the limitations of claim 20. Therefore, claim 26 is considered to be in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, the applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. A timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

Please charge any unforeseen fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-1147.

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